

Briefing on Status of Emergency Preparedness Activities

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Response/NSIR

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- Vision
- Mission
- Program Goals

Emergency Preparedness

- Radiological emergency preparedness
 - Coordinated efforts of government officials, offsite response organizations, and licensees
 - Public interest
 - Continued engagement of stakeholders
- Challenges ahead
- Dynamic process

EP Review of Regulations and Guidance

- EP Review Process
- Recent Activities
 - August 2005 public meeting comments
 - Continued stakeholder interface
- Disparate stakeholder interests
- Future Milestones
 - Follow-up public meeting, May 2006
 - Commission paper on EP review, Sept 2006

Outreach to Stakeholders

- Recent Activities
 - State/local/licensee outreach in all four NRC Regions
 - Presentations focused on EP/Security issues
 - Feedback from external stakeholders
- Future Milestones
 - Outreach with external stakeholders, including advocacy groups
 - Stakeholder feedback

Security-based EP Drill and Exercise Program

- Recent Activities:
 - Pilot tabletop and facility drills
 - Endorsement of NEI white paper
- Future Milestones:
 - Industry drill/exercise guidelines (NEI 06-04)
 - Security event-based EP drills at each site
- Challenges:
 - Exercise evaluation methodology

Additional EP Activities

- New Reactor Licensing
- PAR Study
- NRC/DHS Coordination

Lessons Learned from Hurricanes

Short Term Actions

- Improve various communications practices
- Improve tracking and accountability of staff
- Incorporate the above into a single Agency procedure

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Mid Term and Long Term Actions

- Review Agency communications equipment
- Update storm evacuation information
- National source tracking system
- Working group with OAS and CRCPD

Conclusions

- Enhancements to preparedness and response programs
- More work to be done